



## Summary of Local Technical Assistance (LTA) Projects October 2017

### **Algonquin-Cary**

Develop a **land use sub-area plan** along the Route 31 corridor between villages of Algonquin and Cary for parcels of land that will soon become suitable for development as mining draws to a close. Cary is also considering building out the 265-acre Hoffman Park. The villages would like the area to develop with strong bicycle and pedestrian connections, with linkages to the downtown business districts.

### **Aurora, Algonquin, Elgin, McHenry, Naperville, South Elgin**

Develop a **regional bicycle and pedestrian program**, to be called Regional Active Mobility Program (RAMP), for both recreational and commuter users. The program will primarily consist of strategies to expand Aurora's bike share program through the region.

### **Beach Park**

Develop a **regional bicycle plan** to develop a cohesive vision for regional trails and access in partnership with North Chicago, Waukegan, Zion, Winthrop Harbor, Lake County Forest Preserve District, and Lake County Health Department. The communities wish to identify ways to enhance recreational access to the lakefront and nearby open spaces, as well as promote trail connections between communities for both recreation and commuting purposes.

### **Beecher**

Develop a **comprehensive plan** by updating the 2005 land use plan. Since the last comprehensive plan, adopted in 1996, major changes to the community include a population that has doubled in size as well as capital projects such as a new regional airport, intermodal center, major expressway, and new railway are in various stages of planning and development. The community wishes to engage the residents in the planning process and allow them opportunity for input and collaboration with local leadership.

### **Bridgeport and Canaryville Community Plan Group**

Develop a **planning priorities report** that promotes sustainable business, retail, and economic development, strengthens local educational and cultural institutions, and builds on area assets including housing stock, access to public transportation, and resident population.

### **Calumet Park**

Develop a **comprehensive plan** that specifically addresses flooding, economic development, housing, and transportation. Since the November 2016 planning priorities report conducted by

CMAP, the Village has passed or completed a Complete Streets Policy, CNT's RainReady Plan, and a Capital Improvement Priorities Workshop.

### **Carol Stream**

Update the **zoning code**, in response to the recommendation by the 2016 Comprehensive Plan completed by CMAP's LTA staff. The Village wishes to use a Unified Development Ordinance, to include an update to parking requirements, design/development regulations, update to zoning district standards/bulk regulations, industrial district standards, permitted/special uses, definitions, and establish stronger subdivision regulations.

### **Channahon**

Update the **comprehensive plan** adopted in 2008 to reflect the changed demographic and economic conditions since the recession, including major population growth.

### **Chicago Office of Budget and Management (OBM)**

Assist with the **development of the 2020-2025 Consolidated Plan** required by U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The City requests assistance in providing data and other inputs to the plan.

### **Coalition for a Better Chinese American Community (CBCAC)**

Conduct a **parking management study** in line with the 2015 Community Vision Plan for Chinatown. With limited space available for growth in Chinatown and few opportunities for development, it is increasingly important to fully determine the amount and type of metered, restricted, and unrestricted parking, and identify opportunities for shared parking.

### **Cook County Bureau of Economic Development**

Assistance in **completing Phase 2 of the South Suburban Economic Growth Initiative (SSEGI)**. Phase 1 of the SSEGI has been completed with 2015 LTA, and Phase 2 seeks to expand stakeholder engagement, refine strategies identified in Phase 1, and begin implementation of programs that are quick to launch, high-impact, and relatively low cost. Specific CMAP roles include: creation of a "Development Authority," transportation and freight planning, land use analysis, and stakeholder engagement.

### **DuPage County**

DuPage County is seeking to **update the Unincorporated Land Use Plan** for the Illinois Route 83 corridor. The update will provide a land use plan that incorporates current land use trends and the most recent transportation activity associated with Western Access to O'Hare Airport and to combine the development goals of unincorporated DuPage County with those of the stakeholder municipalities.

### **Far South Community Development Corporation**

Develop an **existing conditions plan and market analysis** for the Roseland Medical District. The plan will focus on strategic partnerships and developments on land use and zoning,

economic development, transportation assets including CTA rail and bus terminals, Roseland Community Hospital, nearby business corridors, and housing.

### **Cook County Forest Preserves**

Conduct a **feasibility study for Des Plaines River Trail-South** to determine future alignment alternatives for an extension of the Des Plaines River Trail from 26<sup>th</sup> Street to Ogden Avenue. Seeks CMAP assistance specifically to: convene an advisory committee of local municipalities, major stakeholders, and transportation agencies; identify a timeline, budget, and implementation plan for the trail; and help stakeholders determine short, medium and long range tasks for their agencies.

### **Frankfort**

Seeks assistance for **Planning Commissioner training** to enhance the collective knowledge, skill and effectiveness of our commissioners, regardless of their level of experience.

### **Illinois International Port District (IIPD)**

Create a **Planning Priorities Report** that will explore the advancement of existing plans for area transportation, land and water conservation, recreation and regional tourism, and other infrastructure issues that would simultaneously advance the interests of IIPD and the community.

### **Justice**

Assistance with an **I&M State Trail Extension Feasibility Study**, to explore the creation of a bike path that will connect to the current Illinois & Michigan State Trail in Willow Springs and run through Justice, Bedford Park and into Summit. The village is looking for technical assistance with the planning process of feasible routes and access points for continuing the bike trail. The I&M State Trail Extension Feasibility study will align with three past plans within the Village of Justice: The Village of Justice Transit Improvement Study (2007), the Village of Justice Strategic Plan (2016-2020) and the Village of Justice 2030 Vision Plan.

### **Kane County**

Kane County would like to partner with Openlands and CMAP to create a **Farmland Protection Research & Guidance plan** that will examine the potential of expanding revenue streams for the purpose of additional farmland protection and local food investment. The plan would address Kane County and also be broadly regionally relevant, looking at appropriate areas for farmland protection, urban development, and local foods production. It will explicitly include investigation of Transfer of Development Rights, a technique that can advance both land preservation and reinvestment goals.

### **Matteson**

The Village of Matteson is interested in creating a **Streetscape Improvement Plan** that will address potential streetscape enhancement for two arterial streets, U.S. Route 30 and Cicero

Avenue. The Streetscape Improvement Plan was recommended in the Village's Master Plan, and seeks to improve transportation infrastructure, green space, lighting, and other visual elements of public roads.

### **Maywood**

The Village of Maywood requests access to **Sketchup diagrams** (similar to what CMAP developed for the City of Berwyn) to make their recently adopted Zoning ordinance user friendly. This can be a library of sorts – allowing Maywood to access and modify (via Sketchup) and use the models, either in an official capacity as an adopted part of the zoning ordinance, or simply as handouts illustrating the ordinance for residents and developers.

### **McHenry County Council of Governments**

Produce a **Shared Services Plan** to streamline intergovernmental cooperation, increase efficiencies and expand better and reliable services to residents. This study would implement GO TO 2040's intent of efficient government, as well as foster regional cooperation. Focal areas will include integrating and pooling transportation resources and opportunities, sharing inspectors, police and fire collaborations, and others.

### **McKinley Park Development Council**

Assistance developing a **neighborhood plan** to help craft development guidelines to promote transit-oriented development, job creation, enhanced walkability, ongoing affordability, and services and amenities to the neighborhood. This plan would focus on maximizing the existing transit and transportation network, reinvigorate the central manufacturing district, revive/reimagine the 35<sup>th</sup> Street retail corridor, and engage the community to create both common ground and a shared vision for the future.

### **Midlothian**

Develop a long term **Capital Improvement Plan for Stormwater Management**. The Village has already identified critical projects that should be included in the capital plan. The Village has involved a number of strategic partners and will receive support from CNT on community engagement and education. The plan is a necessary next step to capitalize on the momentum within the community, ready to see flood relief projects result from many years of planning work.

### **Montgomery**

The Village of Montgomery desires assistance to conduct a comprehensive **Zoning Ordinance Update**. The zoning ordinance is out of date and no longer achieves the goals of the Village set forth in the Village's Comprehensive Plan. The Village would like to pay particular attention to the Business and Manufacturing Districts Sections of the zoning ordinance. A form-based approach with a comprehensive land use matrix is desired in these areas.

### **North Avenue District**

The North Avenue District, in partnership with the Village of Oak Park, seeks assistance developing an **economic development plan** for the North Avenue corridor to guide and coordinate new development and business recruitment efforts by the Village and 29<sup>th</sup> Ward Economic Development Committee. The plan will focus on ways to improve the corridor streetscape/branding, provide guidance on potential financial incentives to attract development, and inform the upcoming CDOT transportation study.

#### **Northwest Municipal Conference (NWMC)**

The NWMC is looking to produce a **multi-modal transportation plan** that includes bicycle and pedestrian planning, as well as improving access to transit throughout the region. Building on previous bicycle planning work and relying on the work of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee, municipal staff and elected officials, this new plan will act as a guide for planning and implementing a multi-modal network in the NWMC service area.

#### **Northwest Side Housing Center (NWSHC)**

The NWSHC would like to develop a transit oriented **business and economic development plan** for the Belmont-Cragin neighborhood that implements their 2016 LISC Quality of Life plan.

#### **Oswego, Montgomery, and Yorkville**

Conduct a **Joint Study of Governance Structure** for a Shared Water Treatment Plant to guide the three communities to provide a sustainable future water supply which is efficient and cost-effective. The study should explore issues such as structure, funding, schedule, decision making process, dispute resolution and other issues that must be decided by intergovernmental agreement in order to make a joint facility work.

#### **Robbins**

The Village of Robbins has partnered with the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRD) to develop a stormwater, **TOD, and industrial area** plan to address flooding along Midlothian Creek. The proposed stormwater solutions will remove approximately 140 acres from the floodplain, freeing the area for potential transit-oriented development.

#### **Sandwich**

Prepare a **Planning Priorities Report** to investigate issues that may be addressed in a future comprehensive plan.

#### **Sauk Village**

Update the Village's **Comprehensive Plan** to integrate key objective of the Southland Parkway Plan which calls for major transportation changes to Sauk Trail and an interchange. Additionally, the plan can help connect Forest Preserves and recreational areas to planned bike pathways. This will also allow the village to obtain future grant funds and assistance from the Cook County Forest Preserve District to plan for recreational needs.

**South Suburban Mayors and Managers Association** (also Will County)

SSMMA requests assistance to initiate a **Circuit Rider Pilot Program (capacity building and training)**, meant to provide technical assistance to communities to advance plan implementation. The purpose of the initiative is to facilitate seasoned technical assistance providers to be embedded in local municipalities to help support and increase municipal capacity and provide direct implementation assistance. The SSMMA initiative can bridge the gap that exists between local government goals, objectives, and strategies that are necessary to enhance the effectiveness of local program or project delivery. Services that are anticipated to be included are specialized deliverables such as transportation or community planning, grant writing, request for proposal preparation, grant administration, funding identification, project coordination, project management, and local priority setting.

**Summit**

The Village of Summit requests assistance with a village-wide **zoning ordinance update** to incorporate recommendations from the CMAP-funded Comprehensive Plan, adopted in 2015.

**Thornton**

Develop a **planning priorities report** that explores its tradition of mixed land uses, expands housing options, and provides a framework for planning and development decisions. This plan should examine inclusive growth for residential, commercial, and industrial development while creating a sense of place and community character.